

Notes to the Town

Buttoning up work projects for the year is taking a front seat on the minds of the staff at Town of LeRoy. Roadwork, water projects, sidewalk, future projects under consideration are in the planning stages too.

We were most pleased to participate in the Botts Fiorito Post 562 to present a Proclamation to Donald Pangrazio Jr. for his selection of LeRoyan of the Year. As mentioned at the award dinner, he has woven a hardy, textured rich fabric of his life that spans and interlock generations. His example of love for family, church and community place him as the 36th LeRoyan of the Year. Hardly congratulations to Don, his wife Joanne and their entire family. LeRoy is a better community to live in because of individuals like Don.

Roadwork wrapping up this fall according to Highway Superintendent, Jerry Roth is going well due to the extended dry weather. Challenges of the wet spring and summer are fading away to allow for shoulder, paving and excess water repair of culverts and placement of new culverts too. Crews of Town and Village paved Robbins Road. Cooperation and effective use of equipment, knowledge and personnel was plainly evident. Congratulations to both municipalities and staff for their forward thinking that benefits all taxpayers. Cole Road paving is also complete. Culvert work was performed on Glenwood Drive, Quinlan and York Roads. Still to be completed is wedging on Quinlan Road as weather permits.

Transfer Station is open on Saturday's 9:00 am – 3:00 pm for yard waste and tree debris smaller than 8" in diameter. The chipping of these items creates wood chips free for the community residents to use. Just come and pick up all you want.

Large item debris is accepted at the Transfer Station this month, October, as we have roll-offs on site. Remember to stop by Town Hall to purchase your punch card prior to taking debris to Transfer Station. Town Clerk, Patty Canfield is available Monday – Friday 8:30 AM- 4:30 PM for punch card sales. She will also respond by mail if there is difficulty in schedules for purchase of punch cards. Call her at 768-6910 ext 224.

Town Clerk also sells Hunting Licenses for the Department of Conservation. Doe permits are limited for the time period now until approximately November 1, 2004. After that date she will be notified if there are more doe permits available for our local area. Other levels of hunting and fishing licenses are still available during her regular business hours.

Free Rabies Clinic is available for Genesee County Residents at LeRoy DPW on Thursday, October 21, 2004 at 1:30 PM – 4:00 PM on North Street. Five dollars is the suggested donation. Out of county residents are charged a fee. Owners are requested to be able to control their cats and dogs while at the free clinic.

Town Board is working on our tentative budget for 2005. At this time we are waiting for confirmation from Albany that the state imposed redistribution of fine dollars will be rescinded. The effect of the law would mean a reduction of \$100,000.00 of income to the

Town. The state Assembly has rescinded the law. The Senate indicates their willingness to address the law in November. Both houses of state government have heard loud and clear the financial destruction of local municipalities the law would have. Both of our elected representatives are in favor of rescinding the law.

Additional increases in state retirement premiums are going to be felt in our budget this year too. We are interested in citizen input for the Town Budget. Please attend Town Board meetings to participate.

Water News:

Water District #6 (Route 19 South) we have finally achieved yard and lawn reclamation by Underground Technologies Inc. The project can now be closed. Thank you to the landowners' patience and tenacity for working through the process. Rural Development will be working with the Town to finalize all documentation and auditing.

Ext.#1 to the Consolidated District (Randall, West Bergen, Selden) R Meyers crew is finalizing the areas of reclamation and final taps for service. Any unfinished areas of concern should be brought to the attention of Supervisor Shelley Stein at 768-6910 ext. 231 as soon as possible. We will be working to finalize the low interest loan with Rural Development for November and finalize the audit by December 2004.

The Town received an information petition from landowners on Randall and Keeney Roads this spring. Over 51% of the population and assessed value indicate their interest in public water. Thursday, October 07, 2004 we will hold a meeting with the residents to present water district formation, grant opportunities, estimated costs and well retention. Along with the Town Board, Town Engineer, Town Grant Writer and Monroe County Water Authority representatives will be on hand to discuss this possibility.

Tri-Town proposed water district held a second meeting in Stafford last week. Residents concluded they would like to move forward in finding out about the grant dollars available to this proposed district. **No district will be formed without a formal vote.** The Genesee County Health Department has indicated they can perform the raw water sampling under a water program available at the county level, but it must wait until January of 2005. We will contact owners in the proposed area a sign up letter as the time gets closer to January 2005. The test is tentatively scheduled for January 10 & 11, 2005. We make every effort possible to contact by mail the landowners in the proposed area, if you are not receiving notice letter please contact Supervisor Stein at 768-6910 ext. 231 to have your address corrected or added to the mailing list for Town of LeRoy.

Perry Road residents have filed an informal petition with the Town to look at a public water supply. We have taken the first step in information gathering by sending out an income survey to determine low to moderate-income levels. Of the 11 homeowners we received 6 back indicating their interest and 1 no interest. If you reside on Perry Road and wish to participate, please send in your responds letter to the Town. The next information to gather is raw water samples. This will be coordinated with the Genesee County Health Department.

As a point of interest, the Town Board reacts to public water interest from landowners. The Town does not designate an area to target for building water line. Town government role is to be the conduit for creation of a special benefit district. We act only on the behalf of landowners direction.

There is still interest on Asbury Road to have public water south of the current line too.

No doubt interest in public water keeps us busy!

Together with the Village representatives we have formed a committee to address a question of fairness in assessments in our community. Elected representatives Jim DeLooze, Duke Merica, Greg Rogers and Bob Uberty will be meeting with citizens, assessor, and county real property director to listen to concerns and make recommendations to the Town Board. We hope by listening and investigating the issue we can address the concerns collectively. As the committee sets time and location for meetings, we will publicize them.

Sidewalk on Summit Street Road is all but completed. Line striping is the last safety feature to be added. We work with the County on a bid program for all of the road striping in the Town. As of yet the road survey needs to be completed prior to painting/stripping the drive lanes. We hope you take time to notice the safety improvements that have been added to this area as you slowly drive through. Much thanks goes to the homeowners on Summit Street Road for their immense patience with this joint municipal project. We thank Assemblyman Charlie Nesbitt for the funding to pay for the safety improvements for the community.

Recently, we shared with our higher elected officials a need for a back-up generator at Town Hall. Senator Mary Lou Rath has committed over half of the dollars necessary to install the generator. We wait to hear from our other officials as to the viability of funds for this effort.

Please feel free to join us at our regularly scheduled board meetings at Town Hall on October 14 and October 28. We start at 7:00 PM at 48 Main Street.

For your convenience here is the listing of extensions for staff at Town Hall

Phone number: 768-6910

Court ext. 234 and 236

Assessor ext. 221

Town Clerk ext. 224

Bookkeeper ext. 228

Town Highway Garage 768-8744

Code Enforcement ext. 223

Recreation ext. 226

Supervisor ext. 231

Building Maintenance ext. 241

As always, your comments, concerns and questions are welcome
Shelley Stein, Supervisor 768-6910 ext 231